Presbyterian Men Eat.

In respone to an invitation by the instor between forty-five and fifty nen of the Presbyterian church ban-

n serving. It was a fine sight to see uch a large number of representa-

ive professional and business men of he community come together around

banquet board for social commun-on and to discuss the interests of

Milling Co. Dr. Gerret Snyder, par

tor of the church gave a very inter-esting and helpful talk in conclusion. Prof. C. A. Shively acted as toast-

An American Citizen.

French Flower Vender and Bell

boy in Hotel Grande Bre

Mrs. J. W. Read, Hays popular

new reader, who made such a hit in "The Poindexter's" will play the part of Carola Chapin in "An Amer-ican Citizen."

The old wooden buildings-rat har bors, disease breeders and unsightly nuisances—for politeness called busi-ness houses, on North Chestnut street

ne of them at least, are going to be gs will be erected in their stead, during the summer months.

years the health officers have been

years the health officers have afraid to investigate the back allies, fearing, perhaps, they would have to port, the filth and stench that prevailed in that especial section of the

city. However, there are other alleys nearly as bad for instance the alley

back of the business houses on South

Royal Three Hair Tonic, Face Pow der and Hand Lotion are indispensa-ble aids to good looks. Try them. Car-ried only by the Hays City Drug

Mr. Shively's Sunday School class

at the Presbyterian church was en-tertained at the home of Miss Flor-

ence Nickles, Wednesday night. Each

ence Nickles, Wednesday night. Each girl invited as her guest a boy friend. Those present were as follows; Misses Florence and Frances Nickles, Dora Groff, Florence Speer, Gladys Morrison, Della Unruh, Bena Morse, Margaret Chittenden, Elizabeth Chittenden, Chloe and Edna Deardorf, Carrie McKeown, Mary Chittenden, Rose Heller, Esther Shively, Ruth Snyder, Agnes McCammon, Ernestine Fields, Claire Hastings and Mrs.

Fields, Claire Hastings and Mrs. Shively. Messrs. Fred and Ralph Archer, Ray Musgrave, Dougherty, John Dewees, Jack Bice, Lawrence Gross, Adelbert Cowan, Pearl Tilley, dor, Fred Alberta, Hills, 1988.

der, Fred Albertson, Hildwein Noll. Ernest Mock, Joe Henning, Rev. Sny-Clifford Morrison, and Mr. Shively.

We carry a full line of McKinley and Root sheet music—only 15 cents a copy. Hays City Drug Store.

Mrs. E. W. Hockensmith and Mrs.

Harry Bartell are giving a series of luncheons this week. They entertain-ed with a St. Patrick's luncheon,

Choice tobacco, cigars and pipes for those who use them can be found at the Hays City Drug Store.

The Hays High School basketball team defeated Ellsworth High School when the two teams clashed at the

district tournament. The game end-ed in a tie and five minutes more was

given to play the tie off. Hays won by a score of 28 to 27.

Alton, came over in their car Sat-urday, and visited with their daugh-ter, Mrs. L. E. Miller, over Sunday. Mr. Geo. Bear left for Russell, Saturday noon, to visit relatives. He returned Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stanfield of

it that it is removed.

eter Barbury,

Egerton Brown

Lady Bumm...... Georgia Chapin.

Beatrice Carew

Ammette Mercury

Otto Strobel

Sir Humphrey Bum. Willie Bumm

Remember the date and place. The w Sheridan Coliseum, Saturday, such 24th. The list of the casts

Britts Herri

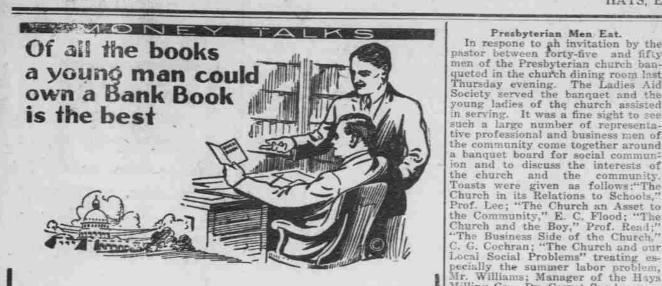
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Mrs. J. W. Read

Ethel Robinson

Dean Herman



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Streat Cox is here from Ocheltree, Texas, on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Cox. Tommorow, Sunday, the Cox family will meet in a regular family reunion at the home

Another Big Improvement.
This week, A. F. Cochran bought the five Adkins lots on the corner of South Main Street at the corner of South Main Street at the corner of Allen Avenue, at the road crossing, where it is told the new depot is to be lecated, and will at once begin the erection of a brick building 40 by 95 feet, with a 20 by 20 addition, the building facing Allen avenue. With this on one side of the track and the big A. A. Company warehouse on the opposite side that part of temporaries side. osite side, that part of town seems

IMPORTANT NOTICE The citizens of Hays, will please take notice that there is a city ordi-nance to the effect that chickens shall a regular family reunion at the home of Geo. Wilson in Grinnell.

Mrs. Geo. Philip, Jr., and young son, Scotty, are visiting in Kansas City, this week.

More run at large during the apring and summer months. Anyone violating the law will be arrested and fined. Also you must remove all hogs and hog pens by April 1st.

John J. Roth,

City Marshal. Worms in Horses. A wormy horse is a dead expense. Use Dr. Pruitt's worm powder.

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BIGGEST, BEST AND LAST OFFER **ENTIRE CONTEST STARTS TO-DAY**

MRS. ALONZO BRUMITT IS IN THE LEAD TO-DAY, MRS. FRED SOLOMON, JR. A VERY CLOSE SECOND, MISS HATTIE MIXER HAS THIRD PLACE THIS WEEK.

TWO MILLION VOTES FOR EACH \$50.00

The announcement today of the Biggest, Best and Last Offer of the Contest is the offer you have been waiting for, and it is your opportunity to win. This offer will single out the real contenders for the Studebaker Auto. Get the most \$50.00 clubs and be among the contenders for the First Prize March 31, 1917

get as many votes on your subscriptions as you can now from March 16, until 6 p. m. March 24. For each and every \$50.00 you bring or send to this office in either old or new subscriptions you get a ballot good for 2,000,000 yotes. ,000,000 votes.

now. Do not wait until the last week of the contest of the contest. And another thing Do not hold of the contest. And another thing don't forget the contest closes without fail promptly at 6 p. m. on March 31.

have a great many people who have promised to help you later—if you have a chance to win. See these friends and tell them you have a chance to win during this offer. The last week will take care of itself. Just think, it takes only a few subscriptions to get 2,000,000 votes. Do you think it will take very many ballots like this to win the Studebaker auto? No, it is not going to take a great many like this to win. It is better to have too many votes than lost like the most of these will no doubt be the winner.

Remember that it takes two or three weeks for the Topeka papers to start. Send your account to subscriptions as soon as you get a club of \$50.00.

The Contest Manager sincerely trusts that each and every contestant is in a position to get several of these the most of these will no doubt be the winner.

Remember this: that this offer is positively the biggest, best and last

Main Street. In one part of the alleys there are barrels of bottles, piles of ashes, and all sorts of fifth that has been accumulating for months. The health department should see to the that it is removed.

lots will be the real contenders for the Studebaker auto on the last day. By all means get at least three or four of these ballots. Every contestant in this count can get several of them if they will make the proper

The important thing about the anouncement of this offer is that it is ositively the LAST and BEST offer of the contest, you are not limited to one of these ballots, but you will eceive one for each \$50.00 you turn n before the offer closes. Don't for-

Miss Nora Platner went to Ellis, Larned, Kansas, March 15 .- F. M ast Sunday. N. P. Gassman was in Wilson, last Tuesday, on business.

Jake Gosser left on the 103 last riday night, for Oakley. The electric light plant was moved nto the City Hall Wednesday.

Mrs. Alex Philip returned home from a short visit in Kansas City. The Y. W. C. A. held a meeting in the Normal auditorium on Sunday.

Miss Edith Cross and her mother, ere down from Ellis, last Sunday. Mr. Otis Rice and Mrs. Fred Cross of Ellis, were in Hays, last Saturday

Mr. Baughman returned Sunday from a business trip to Kansas City Milicent Shade went to Wichita Wednesday morning, to visit friends The Misses Bertha, Mary and Georgin Virmond, spent Sunday, in La

ed with a St. Patrick's luncheon, Wednesday, at one thirty. Those present were: Mrs. C. E. Williams, Mrs. A. F. Cochran, Mrs. P. K. Meade, Mrs. Fred Oshant, Mrs. Vic Holms, Mrs. P. J. Deane, Mrs. H. H. Winters, Mrs. H. E. Malloy, Miss Rena Faubion, Mrs. McIntyre, Mrs. Joe Irwin, Mrs. H. B. Neiswanger, Mrs. C. H. Jameson, Mrs. E. M. Speer, Mrs. H. B. Kohl, Mrs. G. S. Grass, Mrs. Alex Philip, Mrs. Bode, Mrs. Lou Bell, Mrs. Theodore Andrews and Mrs. Rose Nolan.

Choice tobacco, cigars and pines. Mr. Alex and Will Philip returned Wednesday, from a business trip to

Miss Lulu Fowler of Lucas, who

Last Monday, Harry Felten purchased the Prof. E. B. Matthew residence property in the northeast part of the city, for which he payed \$6.700. It is one of the most elegant residence properties in the city. The Feltens will take possession April 1st. It is also rumored that the Felten property, corner of Fort and Second Streets—one block from the U. P. depot—is to be the site for a \$100,000 new hotel to be erected within the year. has been ill for some time, has re-sumed her work at the Normal. Mr. and Mrs. L. Banker and Miss Frank Banker, of Russell, were guests of the Wann family last Thurs-

E. C. Quigley of St. Mary's was in Hays, Saturday, to act as referee for the sixth district basketball tourna-

- Catherine Coleman from McCrack-en, was here visiting some of her old A telegram, the first of the week, from Miles Mulroy, who was in attendance at the A. O. U. W. convention at Atchison, stated that the 1919 convention will be held in Hays. More than a thousand delegates will be present at the meeting. A committee was sent from Hays, headed by Prof. C. J. Smith, of the Normal, secured this great convention for Hays. schoolmates the latter part of the Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Winters made pleasant trip to LaCrosse, Sunday, there they visited Geo. Butler and

Hospital on Saturday.

R. J. Young of the Oakley Graphic came down on the noon train Sunday. He brought with him his father-in-law, whom he placed in the Hays hospital. Rolly was a pleasant caller at the Free Press office.

Today, the contest department anget this offer closes without fail counces the BIGGEST, LAST and promptly at 6 p. m., March 24, there BEST offer of the entire contest. At will be no more special vote offers o other time in this contest will you of any kind during the last week of

will be the amount of votes you Get enough of these votes to win get on subscriptions the last week

No doubt each of the contestants can get the papers started quicker, have a great many people who have

positively the biggest, best and last offer of this contest. Keep this state-Contestants should get the idea out ment in mind, if you want to get Contestants should get the idea out of their heads that anyone has the auto won at this time, or any of the prizes for that matter. The race continues very close, any candidate whose name appears this week can win if they get enough of the 2,000-00 vote ballots. So this LAST and REST vote offer ment in mind, if you want to get enough votes to win the auto, get them before 6 p. m. March 24. Do not wait until the last week of the contest. And another thing: don't forget the contest closes without fail promptly at 6 p. m. March 31, 1917.

Has your name been mentioned as whose name appears this week can win if they get enough of the 2,000-000 vote ballots. So this LAST and BEST vote offer means for you to get out among your friends some way. Write to all of them. Tell them about the last special vote offer. Call them up on the phone any way to get their subscriptions in now. Do not wait until the last day.

Every contestant should realize the importance of this offer. It means the real opportunity in the contest. Those who get several of these ballots will be the real contenders for

Mrs. E. M. McClain	153,200
Mrs. Fred Solomon, Jr.,	157,650
Mrs. Alonzo Brumitt	158,500
Mrs. Albert Copeland	152,950
Ellis.	
Miss Hattie Mixer	156,850
Victoria.	
John J. Burgardt	155 700

Thompson of this city, was awarded the grading contract for the extension of the Anthony & Northern railroad from here to Hays, 57.3 miles.

Miss Ida Nye has resigned her po sition at Mrs. A. F. Cochrans. She is going to spend the summer at home and with her friends.

Visitors to the city the coming week are invited to make the Hays City Drug Store their headquarters. We are at your service.

Mr. Bowden, a brother-in-law of Dr. Blake of Ellis, died at the St. Anthony's hospital Sunday. His body was sent to Center, Colo.

Mrs. Ray Hasley and Peter Gosser, spent the week-end in Oakley, visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Gosser.

C. W. Brown from the Stateof Washington, a former resident of El-lis County, is here visiting his rela-tives, the G. M. Cox and family.

Manhattan.

Mrs. Wm. Johnson and her son, Walter, went to Ellis, Friday night, to visit relatives and friends.

Mrs. And Mrs. Percy Grumbine of McCracken, spent Sunday, with Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Kraus, Mrs. Grumbine's parents, at their home southwest of Hays.

"Once a user always a user" of Royal Three Hand Lotion. Can be had only at the Hays City Drug Store. J. H. Troth, A. J. Wiles and Millard Kirkman, Prof. Clarence Smith and others went to Atchison, this week, to attend the A. O. U. W., Grand Lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Eaton, who have een running the Experiment Station oarding house, moved back to Hays, Thursday. Fred will take up some other work.

Mrs. E. M. McClain, one of the contestants in the Studebaker con-test, went to Russell, Thursday, to get subscriptions for her paper.

Mrs. A. L. Hallsted returned Wednesday, from Manhattan, where she has been visiting her parents for the last three ments.

An eight pound boy was born to Mr. Fred N. Dreiling and Mr. Clarence Logeditsch left Thursday noon, for a short tour through the Augustand Walter Robert.

Mr. Fred N. Dreiling and Mr. Clarence Logeditsch left Thursday noon, for a short tour through the Augustand Oklahoma, oil fields. They returned Sunday evening

Walter Robert.

Miss Edna Fuller, who had the misfortune to break several bones in her ankle was taken to St. Anthony's Hospital on Saturday.

Cambia Graphic The operation was successful and the lady seemingly is in a fair way to re-

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A New City Hall.

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There will also be two rest rooms provided, one for the women and one provided, one for the women and one for the men. In view of the greater Hays in the very near future, a new City Hall is a move in the right direction. The citizens of Hays will take off their hats to the mayor and council if they put this very important improvement through at the very earliest time possible. earliest time possible

Farmers' picnic and old settlers picget in line and buy at least one share of stock in the Golden Belt Association as the committee is planning for Stack Halden nice is no doubt there a Stock Holders picnic some time in are others in the city that we have not heard of, that will build some time during the time during the year.

nonth of June. The committee in charge of the Golden Belt Fair Association is going to have a race

The Committee of the Golden Belt Fair Association met last Monday, and elected the same old officers.

Is Hays Growing-Just a Little. In a walk around town this week, we noticed, Justus Bissing's fine residence, J. E. Hill's new residence on Normal Avenue, Geo. Hubbel's fine new bungalow on West South Main Street, Walter Steadman's new residence, Tony Jacobs' residence, Miss Andreas residence on East Normal Avenue, Fred Wagner's new resi-dence also on East Normal Avenue. Frank Walz on West Juniata and West South Main West South Main some ten new resiwest South Main some ten new residences nearly ready for occupancy. Fred Miller's new residence, Prof. Malloy's new residence on West Normal Avenue, J. T. Morrison's new residence. With few exceptions the houses will range from \$2,500 to \$5,000. Mr. Enfield expects to soon commence a residence. \$5,000. Mr. Enfield expects to soon commence a residence on East South Main Street. Business houses now being erected and will be built during the summer are as follows: C. W. Reeder, Henry Tholen, The Citizens Bank, Joe Basgall, Henry Knoche, Mrs. King, Tony Jacobs. It is also rumored that P. V. Gottschalk will commence the erection of a new will commence that P. v. Gottschalk will commence the erection of a new business house. The new \$50,000 High School building now under construction. The Anderson warenics seem to be a thing of the past so house 75x75 now under construction.

C. W. Reeder is having his build-ings moved off his lots corner Chest-nut and Second Streets preparatory to building a fine two story brick business house.

Old man Carter is now ready to plow gardens, Phone 250.



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